



## KING WILLIAM'S COLLEGE

## ISLE OF MAN

## GENERAL KNOWLEDGE PAPER 2024-2025

## ANSWERS

- 1
1. Edward Norton (British Mount Everest Expedition)
  2. Giacomo Matteotti's (assassinated)
  3. *A Passage to India* (E M Forster)
  4. Harold Abrahams and Eric Liddell's (Olympic Games. *Chariots of Fire*)
  5. Leningrad (Petrograd prior to death of Lenin).
  6. *The Cunning Little Vixen* (Opera by Janacek, premièred in Brno)
  7. The Zinoviev letter (UK General Election)
  8. Adolf Hitler (*Mein Kampf*)
  9. Joseph Lister's (Sculpture In Portland Place by Sir Thomas Brock)
  10. Fortune Theatre
- 2 *All Wordsworth*
1. Arran (*On the Firth of Clyde*)
  2. Black Comb (*View from the Top of Black Comb*)
  3. Lorton Vale (*Yew Trees*)
  4. Yarrow (*Extempore Effusion upon the Death of James Hogg*)
  5. Snafell sic (*Tynwald Hill*)
  6. River Duddon (*The River Duddon*)
  7. Blencathra's (*The Waggoner, Canto Fourth*)
  8. Kirkstone (*The Pass of Kirkstone*)
  9. Lincoln (*Peter Bell, Part First*)
  10. Aira-force (*The Somnambulist*)
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1. Bullhead (a.k.a. Miller's Thumb)
  2. Maidenhead (Jerome K Jerome, *Three Men in a Boat*)
  3. Brideshead Castle (Evelyn Waugh, *Brideshead Revisited*)
  4. Johnny Head-in-air (Heinrich Hoffmann – *Struwwelpeter*)
  5. Headache (Lord Chancellor in W S Gilbert – *Iolanthe* Act 2)
  6. Hindhead Tunnel (A3)
  7. Beachy Head (G K Chesterton – *The Rolling English Road*)
  8. Spithead (C S Forester, *Mr Midshipman Hornblower*. Seasickness)
  9. Red-headed League (Conan Doyle)
  10. Thunderhead (Mary O'Hara story)
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1. In the Prater by the Great Wheel / Riesenrad (Graham Greene, *The Third Man*)
  2. Ballhausplatz / Chancellery (25th July 1934)
  3. Theater an der Wien
  4. The Arsenal (Dennis Wheatley, *The Second Seal*)
  5. Graben (Column of the Pest, Bubonic Plague)
  6. Fenstergucker coffee house (Patrick Leigh Fermor, *A Time of Gifts*)
  7. Stephansdom (Pummerin, bell)
  8. Schönbrunn (Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart and Empress Maria Theresa)
  9. Augustinian Church in The Hofburg (Hearts of Habsburgs)
  10. Stadtpark, Johan Strauss
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1. Fez (red hat)
  2. Tetuan (1860)
  3. Salé / Sallee (Daniel Defoe, *Robinson Crusoe*)
  4. Casablanca (Anfa Conference, 1943)
  5. Ceuta (ceded by Portugal to Spain, Treaty of Lisbon, 1668)
  6. Agadir (gunboat SMS *Panther* and cruiser SMS *Berlin*, 1911)
  7. Tangier (Hammond Innes, *The Strange Land*)
  8. Lixus (The Garden of the Hesperides, Pliny the Elder. Eleventh Labour of Hercules)
  9. Jebel Musa (seen from Gibraltar)
  10. Marrakech (Hitchcock film, *The Man Who Knew Too Much*, 1956)
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1. Nahum Tate
  2. James Edmeston (St Paul's, Onslow Square, *Lead us heavenly Father, lead us*)
  3. John Ellerton (Alumnus of King William's College, *The day thou gavest*)
  4. John Newton (Abolitionist. *How sweet the name of Jesu sounds*)
  5. John Henry Newman (*Lead kindly light*)
  6. Robert Grant (MP for Norwich and Governor of Bombay. *O worship the King*)
  7. John Byrom (*Christians, awake! Salute the happy morn*)
  8. Catherine Winkworth (from Martin Rinkart's original, *Now thank we all our God*)
  9. Isaac Williams (*Be thou my guardian and my guide*)
  10. William Walsham How's (*For all the saints*, Cathedral Church of All Saints, Wakefield)
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1. a herring (Robert Burns, *Tam O'Shanter*)
  2. a whiting (Lewis Carroll, *The Lobster Quadrille, Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*)
  3. a great muckle skate (David Rorie, *The Lum Hat Wantin' The Croon*)
  4. a pike (Arthur Ransome, *The Big Six*)
  5. Minnows (John Keats, *I Stood Tip-Toe Upon a Little Hill*)
  6. Stickleback (Beatrix Potter, *The Tale of Mr Jeremy Fisher*)
  7. Chub (Izaak Walton, *The Compleat Angler*)
  8. Turbot (Thomas Earle Welby, *The Dinner Knell, Birmingham or Crewe?*)
  9. a trout (Tennyson, *The Brook*)
  10. Eels (James March, *The Jolly Angler*, 1833)
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1. George Louis Eyser (St Louis, 1904)
  2. London (1908)
  3. Fanny Blankers-Koen (Dutch athlete, won four gold medals. London, 1948)
  4. Michael Phelps, Beijing (2008)
  5. Emil Zatopek and his wife Dana (5,000m and Javelin. Helsinki, 1952)
  6. Melbourne, Chris Brasher (1956)
  7. *Superdocios* (Flying Dutchman sailed by Rodney Pattison and Iain MacDonald Smith. Mexico City 1968)
  8. Los Angeles (Runners did an extra lap owing to counting error, 1932)
  9. Boris Onischenko (Montreal, 1976)
  10. Athens (Spyridon Louis won marathon in 1896)
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1. Eaton Hall (1946-1960)
  2. The Cat and Fiddle pub (*Hey Diddle Diddle* nursery rhyme)
  3. Knutsford (*Cranford*)
  4. Sandbach
  5. Kerridge Hill, White Nancy (Battle of Waterloo, Wellington quotation)
  6. Chester Castle (James Stanley, 7th Earl of Derby, September 1651)
  7. Gawsorth Hall (Lord Mohun and the Duke of Hamilton, Hyde Park, 15th November 1712)
  8. Mobblerley (Birthplace of George Mallory, who died on Everest with Andrew Irvine, June 1924)
  9. Runcorn (Marriott Edgar, *Runcorn Ferry*)
  10. All Saints' Church, Daresbury (Stained glass window)



## ANSWERS

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1. New Forest (Death of William II, 2nd August 1100)
  2. Black Forest (Gâteau)
  3. Cannock Chase German Military Cemetery
  4. Wychwood (John Buchan, *The Blanket of the Dark*)
  5. Mirkwood (J R R Tolkien, *The Hobbit*)
  6. Ashdown Forest / Hundred Acre Wood (Pooh sticks. A A Milne, *The House at Pooh Corner*)
  7. The Forest of Boulogne (Baroness Orczy, *Eldorado*)
  8. Epping Forest (Dorothy L Sayers, *Unnatural Death*)
  9. Forest of Fontainebleau (Painting, *Jules le Cœur and his dogs in the Forest of Fontainebleau*)
  10. Savernake Forest (Oak trees)
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1. Mary Queen of Scots (Carberry Hill, 15th June 1567)
  2. Sir Walter Raleigh (Ashburton, 25th July 1618)
  3. Sir Andrew Ffoulkes and Lord Antony Dewhurst (Baroness Orczy, *The Scarlet Pimpernel*)
  4. Titus Oates (10th May 1684)
  5. Hawley Harvey Crippen (31st July 1910)
  6. Captain Jack Aubrey (Patrick O'Brian, *The Reverse of the Medal*)
  7. Robert de Brus, 2nd Lord of Annandale (Battle of the Standard, 1138)
  8. Heinrich Himmler (22nd May 1945)
  9. Mr Pickwick (Charles Dickens, *The Pickwick Papers*)
  10. Oscar Wilde (John Betjeman, *The Arrest of Oscar Wilde at the Cadogan Hotel*)
- 12 All Agatha Christie
1. The Royal George (Dartmouth, *The Regatta Mystery*)
  2. The Tokatlian (Stamboul, *Murder on the Orient Express*)
  3. The Savoy (*The Mystery of the Blue Train*)
  4. The Piccadilly Palace (*Lord Edgware Dies*)
  5. The Cataract (Assuan, *Death on the Nile*)
  6. The Jolly Roger (*Evil Under the Sun*)
  7. Bertram's (*At Bertram's Hotel*)
  8. The Black Swan (Doncaster, *The A B C Murders*)
  9. The Grand Metropolitan (Brighton, *The Jewel Robbery at the Grand Metropolitan*)
  10. The Solomon (Jerusalem, *Appointment with Death*)
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1. Tripe
  2. Mooilie (Irish hornless cattle)
  3. Murray Grey breed of cattle.
  4. Belted Galloway
  5. English Longhorn
  6. A cow ( Old English riddle)
  7. Red Poll (Norfolk Red and Suffolk Dun)
  8. Reconstruction of the extinct Aurochs
  9. Mr Dexter (Dexter breed on Valencia/Valentia Island, Ireland)
  10. Dairy Shorthorn
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1. MacGillicuddy's Reeks (Mountain 957m. in height, Co. Kerry)
  2. Mic-Mac-Methuseleh's (William Ayton, *The Massacre of MacPherson*)
  3. Rat Faced McDougal (Trout fly)
  4. Compton Mackenzie (Wrecked ship, *Whisky Galore*)
  5. McIlvenny (*Tabasco*, Avery Island, Louisiana)
  6. Mrs MacStinger (Dickens, *Dombey and Son*)
  7. John Macnab (John Buchan, *John Macnab*)
  8. Macavity (T S Eliot, *Macavity, the Mystery Cat*)
  9. Ephraim Mackellar (R L Stevenson, *The Master of Ballantrae*)
  10. Macheath (Mack the Knife, originally from Bertolt Brecht's *Threepenny Opera*)
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1. Mortlach (The Beast of Dufftown)
  2. Edradour
  3. Caol Ila Distillery
  4. Royal Lochnagar
  5. Cardhu (the Cummings)
  6. Royal Brackla (King William IV, 1833)
  7. Talisker (Robert Louis Stevenson, *The Scotsman's Return From Abroad*)
  8. Ardmore (watched over by a family of rare eagles)
  9. Oban
  10. Old Pulteney
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1. Dan Maskell, Slobodan Živojinović.
  2. John Snagge (*Hancock's Half Hour, The East Cheam Centenary*, 1960)
  3. Jonathan Agnew, Inzamam-ul-Haq
  4. John Arlott, Ernie Toshack's
  5. John Motson, Steve Bruce ("The taste for Wembley in his nostrils")
  6. Brian Johnston, Bill Frindall, (Sultan was 5 foot 8 in)
  7. Bill McLaren, Rudi 'Vleis' Visagie.
  8. Peter Alliss, Miguel Angel Jimenez
  9. Des Lynam ("... score draw in the local derby")
  10. Barry Davis, the Dutch football team (Marmalade).
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1. Bratt's (Evelyn Waugh, *A Handful of Dust*)
  2. Blades (Ian Fleming, *Moonraker*)
  3. The Reform Club (Phileas Fogg. Jules Verne, *Around the World in Eighty Days*)
  4. The Bagatelle Club (Conan Doyle, *The Adventure of the Empty House*)
  5. The Junior Ganymede (P G Wodehouse, *Much Obligated, Jeeves*)
  6. The Imperial (Corporal Bootsie Bisley and Sergeant-Major Claude Snudge, TV sitcom)
  7. The Stoics' Club (John Galsworthy, *The Country House*)
  8. The Bellona Club (Dorothy L Sayers, *The Unpleasantness at the Bellona Club*)
  9. Black's (Patrick O'Brian, *The Reverse of the Medal*)
  10. The Runagates Club (John Buchan)
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1. Kingsholm, Gloucester (Geordan Murphy's nickname for Billy Twelvetrees – 24 hours cycling for Ed Slater and Motor Neurone Disease)
  2. Oakham (Statue of Queen Elizabeth II)
  3. Russ Cook (Nicknamed Hardest Geezer, ran length of Africa)
  4. Sir Andrew Davis (Parody of Major General Stanley's patter song – Last Night of the Proms)
  5. David Warner's (Lost his cricket cap, scored 57 in his final Test Match)
  6. Sir Keir Starmer (Portrait of Margaret Thatcher, 10 Downing Street)
  7. Dave Myers (Hairy Biker)
  8. Sir Salman Rushdie (*Knife: Meditations After an Attempted Murder*)
  9. A pike (weighing 47lb 5 oz, caught and released, Chew Valley, 13th February)
  10. Sir Ian McKellen's (Fell off stage – Noel Coward Theatre)